President.—It must be before the actual retirement takes place.

Certain appointments in the Maharaja's College.

83. Dr. A. G. Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

1. were not the services of Messrs. R. Gopala Ayyar, Professor of Zoology and G. A. Sreenivasan, Professor of Mathematics, borrowed from the Madras service for 3 years to train up the men already in our (State) service for professional work;

2. were their Assistants found unfit for the Professors' work by any competent authority, who had occasion to inspect their work;

3. was Mr. Gopala Ayyar's opinion taken in the matter of the appointment of a successor to him; if not, why not;

4. why was Mr. Karunakaran Nayar from Mysore service appointed as permanent Professor of Zoology;

5. what was his pay in the Mysore service; in what grade was he there; what is his pay here.; in what grade has he been appointed here; have the Government agreed to recognise his past service in Mysore for pension here; if so, how many years' service have the Government agreed to recognise;

6. were there no qualified men in the State service or outside available for the post of Zoology Professor on the grade of pay fixed for the Professors (Rs. 200—250);

7. did the Government advertise the vacancy created by the reversion of Mr. R. Gopala Ayyar when they went in for an outsider; if not, why not;

8. what is Mr. Karunakaran Nayar's position in the service with respect to the Professors who are already in the College;

9. is he senior to those whose salary or grade of pay is lower than his; if the answer is in the affirmative, why this anxiety on the part of the Government to bring him in and throw the men already in the service overboard?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—1. Their services were borrowed for three years, but not definitely for the purpose of training up our men.

2. There were no Assistants in that section of the College qualified for appointment as Professor in the opinion of competent authorities.

3. Mr. Gopala Ayyar was also consulted.

4. Mr. Karunakaran Nayar was appointed as he was recommended by the most competent authority on the subject in South India.

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5. In Mysore he was drawing Rs. 300 in the grade Rs. 200—300. His pay here is Rs. 340 in the grade Rs. 300—400.

Yes, the Government have ordered that 10 years of his service in Mysore will be credited for purposes of pension in this State.

6. The men available were not considered up to the mark by competent authority. The pay fixed for Professors is not Rs. 200—250.

7. No. The Government did not consider it necessary.

8. Government have ordered that he will not have any preferential claims to vacancies in the higher grades on account of his initial pay.

9. No answer required in view of answer to sub-division 8.

Medical Inspection in Schools.

84. Srimati T. Madhavi Amma —Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) in which all classes medical examination of children is conducted in the schools;

(b) how many of them are found unfit for study; and how many for athletic sports;

(c) how many students are suffering from chronic headache, weakened eye-sight and anaemia ;

(d) what method do the educational authorities or the medical men concerned adopt to bring the result of these examinations to the notice of their guardians?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a), (b) and (c). Details have been published in the Administration Reports of the Education Department for the years 1100 and 1101. Vide pages 28, 37 to 40, and 32, 53 to 59 respectively.

(d) The Member is referred to the instructions contained in the annexure to the D. P., C. No. 5779/1097, dated 30th October 1923, published in the Government Gazette.

Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—There is no definite answer to my question.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—There are several sub-divisions and the necessary information is contained in the Gazettes.

Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Was reference made to these papers ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—They contain all the information.

President.—I think they are here.

Srimati T. Madhavi Amma —No, Sir.

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